

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF  
**ROBERT TOWNSEND, ET AL**  
APPLICATION NO: 09/877987  
FILED: 06/08/2001

ART UNIT: **1644**  
EXAMINER: **GAMBEL, PHILLIP**  
CONFIRMATION NO: **1712**

**FOR: METHODS FOR REGULATING A LYMPHOCYTE-MEDIATED IMMUNE  
RESPONSE BY BLOCKING COSTIMULATORY SIGNALS AND BLOCKING  
LFA-1 MEDIATED ADHESION**

*Submitted EFS-Web*  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This Communication is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2006, issued by the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. Submitted concurrently herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time for a period of three months, up to and including March, 21, 2007.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of the paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.